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House Resolution 30

By: Representatives Rice of the 51st and Graves of the 12th

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Proposing an amendment to the Constitution so as to limit enactment and renewal of sales
- 2 and use tax exemptions to periods not to exceed four years; to provide for the submission of
- 3 this amendment for ratification or rejection; and for other purposes.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

5 SECTION 1.

- 6 Article VII, Section III of the Constitution is amended by adding a new Paragraph to read as
- 7 follows:

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- 8 "Paragraph IV. Sales and use tax exemptions. Exemptions from sales and use tax enacted
- 9 after January 1, 2011, shall not exceed four years in duration. Any such exemption may
- be continued in effect for subsequent periods not to exceed four years, provided that each
- such continuation bill has attached thereto a certification by the state auditor, or such other
- 12 appropriate official as determined by the General Assembly, that the goal or benefit to the
- state sought to be achieved by the initial exemption has been attained and that continuation
- of that exemption would be in the best interest of the state."
- SECTION 2.
- 16 The above proposed amendment to the Constitution shall be published and submitted as
- 17 provided in Article X, Section I, Paragraph II of the Constitution. The ballot submitting the
- above proposed amendment shall have written or printed thereon the following:
- 19 "( ) YES Shall the Constitution of Georgia be amended so as to limit enactment and
- renewal of sales and use tax exemptions to periods not to exceed four
- 21 () NO years?"
- 22 All persons desiring to vote in favor of ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "Yes."
- 23 All persons desiring to vote against ratifying the proposed amendment shall vote "No." If
- such amendment shall be ratified as provided in said Paragraph of the Constitution, it shall
- become a part of the Constitution of this state.